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OVERVIEW

Title III of the Superfund Amendment and Reauthorization Act of 1986 [also known as the Emergency Planning Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA)] establishes requirements regarding emergency planning and community right to know reporting on hazardous and toxic chemicals. Executive Order 12856 requires federal agencies to comply with these requirements.

GSA Responsibilities

 Provide local and state regional planning agencies with all required reports and planning information for hazardous chemicals.

Safety and Environmental Management Personnel Responsibilities

- Inventory hazardous chemicals; designate an emergency coordinator; and provide information to state and local response personnel.
- Report annual toxic releases if reportable quantities (RQs) are exceeded.
- Determine which facilities are subject to the EPCRA's Planning and Reporting Requirements.

Facility Manager Responsibilities

- Maintain an inventory of hazardous chemicals and extremely hazardous substances in order to determine planning requirements.
- Designate a facility emergency coordinator
- Submit annual toxic release reports to EPA and designated state agency as required.

Client Agency Responsibilities

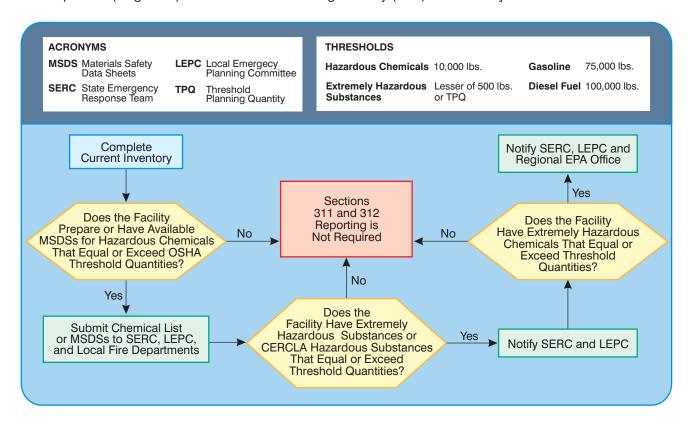
- Manage their own programs in accordance with all applicable requirements.
- Notify GSA Property Manager of hazardous materials.

SARA Title III Laws & Regulations

Citation	Topic	Further Information
SARA Title III (EPCRA) Sections 301-313	Emergency Planning; Release Notification; Routine Reporting: Material Safety Data Sheets and Chemical Inventories; Routine Reporting: Annual Releases http://www.epa.gov/epahome/laws.html	■ PBS Environmental Hotline (800) 379-6505 or e-mail pbshotline@ene.com ■ GSA Home Page http://www.gsa.gov - Search Term "SARA" ■ PBS Environmental Programs Home Page (GSA intranet users only) http://insite.gsa.gov/pbs/environmental ■ EPA RCRA, Superfund and EPCRA Hotline (800) 424-9346 ■ EPA Chemical Emergency Preparedness and Prevention Office Home Page http:\\www.epa.gov\cepps\ ■ EPA PreparednessEmergency Planningand Community Right to Know Home Page http:\\www.epa.gov\swercepp\crtk.html
29 CFR 1910.1200	OSHA Hazardous Communication Requirements http://www.osha-slc.gov/OshStd_toc/OSHA_Std_toc.html	
40 CFR 355	Extremely Hazardous Substance List and Threshold Planning Notification Requirements http://www.epa.gov/docs/epacfr40/chap-1.info/subch-j.html	
40 CFR 370	Emergency and Hazardous Chemical Inventory Forms and Community Right-to-Know Reporting Requirements http://www.epa.gov/docs/epacfr40/chap-1.info/subch-j.html	
40 CFR 372	Toxic Chemical Release Reporting http://www.epa.gov/docs/epacfr40/chap-1.info/subch-j.html	

SECTION 311 AND 312: EMERGENCY PLANING REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Facilities that are required to maintain (MSDSs) for Hazardous Chemicals under the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) are required to submit these MSDSs to the SERC, the LEPC and the local fire department. Reporting is limited by an EPA established threshold of 10,000 pounds for hazardous chemicals and the lesser of 500 pounds (55 gallons) or the Threshold Planning Quantity (TPQ) for extremely hazardous substances.



SECTION 313: TOXIC INVENTORY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Facilities that manufacture, process, use, or transfer (off site) for disposal a toxic chemical equal to or in excess of a reportable quantity may be required to submit annual reports disclosing the amounts released to air, water, or transferred off site. Reports are due by July 1 of each year.

